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BOARD STATUTES RELATING TO ELECTRICIANS



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- **2-15-1764. State electrical board.** (1) There is a state electrical board.
- (2) The board consists of five members appointed by the governor with the consent of the senate, who shall be residents of this state. Two members of the board shall represent the public. Two members of the board shall be licensed electricians. One member shall be a master licensed electrical contractor.
- (3) The members of the board shall serve for a term of 5 years with their terms of office so arranged that one term expires on July 1 of each year.
- (4) The board is allocated to the department for administrative purposes only as prescribed in 2-15-121.

History: (1) thru (3)En. Sec. 4, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 374, L. 1973; Sec. 66-2804, R.C.M. 1947; amd. and redes. 82A-1602.10 by Sec. 271, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 58, Ch. 439, L. 1975; Sec. 82A-1602.10, R.C.M. 1947; (4)En. 82A-1602 by Sec. 1, Ch. 272, L. 1971; amd. Sec. 10, Ch. 250, L. 1973; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 285, L. 1973; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 57, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 58, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 84, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 99, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 354, Ch. 350, L. 1974; Sec. 82A-1602, R.C.M. 1947; R.C.M. 1947, 82A-1602(part), 82A-1602.10(1) thru (3); amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 546, L. 1979; MCA 1979, ; redes. by Sec. 4, Ch. 274, L. 1981; Sec. , MCA 1999; redes. by Sec. 221(2), Ch. 483, L. 2001.

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TITLE 37 CHAPTER 68

ELECTRICIANS AND ELECTRICAL SAFETY

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Part 1

General

37-68-101. Purpose. The purpose of this chapter is to:

(1) protect the health and safety of the people of this state from the danger of electrically caused shocks, fires, and explosions;

- (2) protect property from the hazard of electrically caused fires and explosions;
- (3) establish a procedure for determining where and by whom electrical installations are to be made:
 - (4) assure the public that persons making electrical installations are qualified; and
- (5) insure that the electrical installations and electrical products made and sold in this state meet minimum safety standards.

History: En. Sec. 2, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 19, Ch. 366, L. 1969; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 425, L. 1973; amd. Sec. 12, Ch. 226, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 269, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 8, Ch. 504, L. 1977; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2802(part).

- **37-68-102. Definitions.** Unless the context requires otherwise, in this chapter, the following definitions apply:
 - (1) "Board" means the state electrical board provided for in 2-15-1764.
- (2) "Department" means the department of labor and industry provided for in Title 2, chapter 15, part 17.
- (3) "Electrical contractor" means a person, firm, partnership, corporation, association, or combination of these that undertakes or offers to undertake for another the planning, laying out, supervising, and installing or the making of additions, alterations, and repairs in the installation of wiring apparatus and equipment for electric light, heat, and power. A registered electrical engineer who plans or designs electrical installations is not an electrical contractor.
- (4) "Journeyman electrician" means a person having the necessary qualifications, training, experience, and technical knowledge to wire for, install, and repair electrical apparatus and equipment for light, heat, power, and other purposes under the rules governing this work.
- (5) "Master electrician" means a person having the necessary qualifications, training, experience, and technical knowledge to properly plan, lay out, and supervise the installation and repair of wiring apparatus and equipment for electric light, heat, power, and other purposes under the rules governing this work.
- (6) "Residential electrician" means a person having the necessary qualifications, training, experience, and technical knowledge to wire for, install, and repair electrical apparatus and equipment for light, heat, power, and other purposes in residential construction consisting of less than five living units in a single structure under the rules governing this work.

History: En. Sec. 3, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 270, Ch. 350, L. 1974; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2803; amd. Sec. 4, Ch. 546, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 274, L. 1981; amd. Sec. 151, Ch. 483, L. 2001.

37-68-103. Exemptions. (1) Nothing in this chapter shall be deemed to apply to the installation, alteration, or repair of electrical signal or communications equipment owned or operated by a public utility or a city. For purposes of this exemption, "communications equipment" includes telephone wire inside a customer's premises. Nothing in this chapter prohibits a public utility from doing inside wiring to install, alter, repair, or maintain electrical equipment, installations, or facilities in buildings owned by the public utility if the work is accomplished by an employee who is a licensed electrician. If the building owned by the public utility is open to the public and the inside wiring constitutes major renovation or construction, the installation, alteration, repair, or maintenance of electrical equipment, installations, or facilities is subject to permits and inspections required by law.

- (2) The licensing or inspection provisions of this chapter do not apply to regularly employed maintenance electricians doing maintenance work on the business premises of their employer, nor do they apply to line work on the business premises of the employer when ordinary and customary in-plant or onsite installations, modifications, additions, or repairs are performed.
- (3) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to require an individual to hold a license while or for doing electrical work on his own property or residence provided that said property or residence is maintained for his own use.
- (4) An individual, firm, partnership, or corporation may engage in business as an electrical contractor without an electrician's license if all electrical work performed by such individual, firm, partnership, or corporation is under the direction, control, and supervision of a licensed master electrician or under the direction, control, and supervision of a journeyman electrician for residential construction consisting of less than five living units in a single structure.
- (5) Any person who plugs in an electrical appliance where an approved electrical outlet is already installed shall not be considered as an installer.
- (6) No provisions of this chapter shall in any manner interfere with, hamper, preclude, or prohibit any vendor of any electrical appliance from selling, delivering, and connecting any electrical appliance if the connection does not necessitate the installation of electrical wiring of the structure where the appliance is to be connected.

History: En. Sec. 12, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 423, L. 1973; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 269, L. 1975; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2812; amd. Sec. 5, Ch. 546, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 245, L. 1987.

Cross-References

Exceptions to electrical installation requirements, 50-60-602.

Part 2 State Electrical Board

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Right to know, Art. II, sec. 9, Mont. Const.

Seal defined, 1-4-201.

Open meetings, Title 2, ch. 3, part 2.

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Issuance of injunctions on nonjudicial days, 3-1-302, 3-5-302.

Contempts, Title 3, ch. 1, part 5.

Injunctions, Rule 65, M.R.Civ.P. (see Title 25, ch. 20); Title 27, ch. 19.

Affidavits, Title 26, ch. 1, part 10.

Duties of Department, Director, and boards, Title 37, ch. 1, part 1.

Disrupting meeting as disorderly conduct, 45-8-101.

- **37-68-201. Organization -- meetings -- rulemaking power -- seal.** (1) Each July, the board shall elect from its membership a president, vice president, and secretary-treasurer.
- (2) The board shall meet quarterly and at other times that the board considers necessary.
 - (3) The board shall:
- (a) adopt rules for the administration of this chapter, for the licensing of electrical contractors, and for the examination of master and journeyman electricians;
 - (b) adopt a seal;
 - (c) cause the prosecution and enjoinder of persons violating this chapter.

History: (1), (2), (4)En. Sec. 5, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 272, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 11, Ch. 453, L. 1977; Sec. 66-2805, R.C.M. 1947; (3)En. Sec. 4, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 374, L. 1973; Sec. 66-2804, R.C.M. 1947; amd. and redes. 82A-1602.10 by Sec. 271, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 58, Ch. 439, L. 1975; Sec. 82A-1602.10, R.C.M. 1947; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2805(1), (2)(a) thru (2)(c), 82A-1602.10(5); amd. Sec. 4, Ch. 245, L. 1987; amd. Sec. 123, Ch. 429, L. 1995; amd. Sec. 72, Ch. 492, L. 2001; amd. Sec. 110, Ch. 467, L. 2005.

37-68-202. Compensation and expenses of board members. Each member of the board shall receive compensation and travel expenses as provided for in 37-1-133.

History: Ap. p. Sec. 4, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 374, L. 1973; Sec. 66-2804, R.C.M. 1947; amd. and redes. 82A-1602.10 by Sec. 271, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 58, Ch. 439, L. 1975; Sec. 82A-1602.10, R.C.M. 1947; Ap. p. Sec. 5, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 272, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 11, Ch. 453, L. 1977; Sec. 66-2805, R.C.M. 1947; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2805(3), 82A-1602.10(4); amd. Sec. 33, Ch. 474, L. 1981.

Part 3

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Duty of Department to administer and grade examinations, 37-1-101.

Duty of Board to adopt and enforce licensing and certification rules, 37-1-131.

Licensing boards to establish fees commensurate with costs, 37-1-134.

Licensing investigation and review -- record access, 37-1-135.

Grounds for disciplinary action as grounds for license denial -- conditions to new licenses, 37-1-137.

Licensure of criminal offenders, Title 37, ch. 1, part 2.

Nondiscrimination in licensing, 49-3-204.

37-68-301. License required to engage in electrical work. (1) A person may not engage in or work at the business, trade, or calling of electrical contractor, residential electrician, journeyman electrician, or master electrician in this state until the person has received from the department a license or permit to work as an electrical contractor, residential electrician, journeyman electrician, or master electrician.

- (2) A person who has received a license from the department under the provisions of this chapter shall carry the license, or proof of licensure, at all times while working at a job site and performing work that requires a license. Acceptable proof of licensure must be determined by the board and made known to each licensee by the department when a license is issued.
- (3) A private or public employment agency or labor union, or an employee thereof, who refers persons for employment by others may not refer a person for employment by others to perform the work of an electrical contractor, residential electrician, journeyman electrician, or master electrician in this state unless the person has received from the department a license or permit to work as an electrical contractor, residential electrician, journeyman electrician, or master electrician.

History: En. Sec. 6, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 274, Ch. 350, L. 1974; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2806; amd. Sec. 6, Ch. 546, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 31, L. 1993; amd. Sec. 2, Ch. 402, L. 1999.

Cross-References

Installation of new security alarm systems by electrician, 37-60-409.

37-68-302. Unauthorized use of title. No person, firm, partnership, corporation, or association shall assume or use the title or designation of licensed master electrician, licensed journeyman electrician, or residential electrician unless qualified and licensed under this chapter.

History: En. Sec. 8, Ch. 148, L. 1965; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2808; amd. Sec. 7, Ch. 546, L. 1979.

37-68-303. Apprentice may work under licensed electrician -- record of apprentices. This chapter does not prohibit a person from working as an apprentice in the trade of electrician with an electrician licensed under this chapter and under rules made by the board. The name and residence of each apprentice and the name and residence of his employer shall be filed with the department, and a record shall be kept by the department showing the name and residence of each apprentice.

History: En. Sec. 17, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 281, Ch. 350, L. 1974; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2817.

Cross-References

Apprenticeship, Title 39, ch. 6, part 1.

37-68-304. Master electricians -- application -- qualifications -- contents of examination -- fees. (1) An applicant for a master electrician's license shall furnish written evidence of being a graduate electrical engineer of an accredited college or university and of having 1 year of legally obtained practical electrical experience or that the applicant is a graduate of an electrical trade school and has at least 4 years of legally obtained practical experience in electrical work or has had at least 5 years of legally obtained practical experience in planning, laying out, or supervising the installation and repair of wiring, apparatus, or equipment for electrical light, heat, and power.

(2) An applicant for a license as a master electrician shall file an application on a form furnished by the department, submit appropriate fees, and satisfactorily pass an examination

prescribed by the board. The board shall, not less than 30 days prior to a scheduled examination, notify each applicant that the evidence submitted with the applicant's application is sufficient to qualify to take the examination or that the evidence is insufficient and is rejected. If the application is rejected, the board shall set forth the reasons in the notice to the applicant. The place of examinations must be designated by the board, and examinations must be held at least once a year and at other times as, in the opinion of the board, the number of applicants warrants.

- (3) The examination must consist of at least 30 questions designed to fairly test the applicant's knowledge and the applicant's technical application in the following subjects:
 - (a) the national electric code:
 - (b) cost estimating for electrical installments;
 - (c) procurement and handling of materials needed for electrical installations and repair;
 - (d) reading blueprints for electrical work;
 - (e) drafting and layout of electrical circuits; and
 - (f) knowledge of practical electrical theory.
- (4) The board shall determine by rule the fees to be charged an applicant for each examination or reexamination. The fees must be commensurate with costs.

History: En. Sec. 7, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 275, Ch. 350, L. 1974; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2807(1); amd. Sec. 2, Ch. 245, L. 1987; amd. Sec. 15, Ch. 196, L. 2003; amd. Sec. 111, Ch. 467, L. 2005.

37-68-305. Journeyman and residential electricians -- application -- qualifications -- contents of examination. (1) An applicant for a journeyman electrician's license shall furnish written evidence of at least 4 years of apprenticeship in the electrical trade or 4 years of legally obtained practical experience in the wiring for, installing, and repairing of electrical apparatus and equipment for light, heat, and power. Applications for license and notice to the applicant must be made and given as in the case of master electricians' licenses. The examination for a journeyman's license must consist of at least 30 questions designed to fairly test the applicant's knowledge and the applicant's technical application in the following subjects:

- (a) the Ohm's law;
- (b) the national electric code; and
- (c) layout and practical installation of electrical circuits.
- (2) An applicant for a residential electrician's license shall furnish written evidence of at least 2 years of apprenticeship in the electrical trade or 2 years of legally obtained practical experience in the wiring for, installing, and repairing of electrical apparatus and equipment for light, heat, and power in residential construction consisting of less than five living units in a single structure. Application for license and notice to the applicant must be made and given as in the case of master electricians' licenses. The examination for a residential electrician's license must consist of at least 30 questions designed to fairly test the applicant's knowledge and the applicant's technical application in the following subjects:
 - (a) the Ohm's law;
 - (b) the national electric code; and
 - (c) layout and practical installation of electrical circuits.

History: En. Sec. 7, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 275, Ch. 350, L. 1974; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2807(2); amd. Sec. 8, Ch. 546, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 16, Ch. 196, L. 2003; amd. Sec. 112, Ch. 467, L. 2005.

37-68-306. Repealed. Sec. 128, Ch. 429, L. 1995.

- History: En. Sec. 10, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 277, Ch. 350, L. 1974; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2810; amd. Sec. 9, Ch. 546, L. 1979.
- **37-68-307.** Examination procedure -- third-party services. To ensure impartiality, the examination for either the residential, master's, or journeyman's license must be administered by the department. The department may use a third party to provide examination and grading services. The examination passing grade is 75%.
- History: En. Sec. 7, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 275, Ch. 350, L. 1974; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2807(3); amd. Sec. 10, Ch. 546, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 2, Ch. 31, L. 1993; amd. Sec. 49, Ch. 492, L. 1997; amd. Sec. 17, Ch. 196, L. 2003; amd. Sec. 113, Ch. 467, L. 2005.
- **37-68-308.** Licensure without examination of persons licensed locally. The board may authorize the department to issue a license as a master electrician, journeyman electrician, or residential electrician to an applicant without written examination on satisfactory proof that the applicant has the qualifications to apply for a license under this chapter and is the holder of a valid license issued by a city or other political subdivision of this state which provides for the examination and licensing of electricians.
- History: En. Sec. 11, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 278, Ch. 350, L. 1974; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2811; amd. Sec. 11, Ch. 546, L. 1979.
 - **37-68-309.** Repealed. Sec. 128, Ch. 429, L. 1995.
- History: En. Sec. 9, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 276, Ch. 350, L. 1974; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2809.
- **37-68-310.** Renewal of lapsed licenses. (1) It is unlawful for a person who refuses or fails to pay the renewal fee to practice electrical work in this state. A person with a lapsed license may be issued a renewal license without examination if the applicant pays the original renewal fee and any delinquency fee within 1 year of the license expiration date. Subject to subsection (2), a lapsed license that is not renewed within 1 year following its expiration date may not be renewed unless the applicant passes the examination and pays the fee required for an original license.
 - (2) This section may not be interpreted to conflict with 37-1-138.
- History: En. Sec. 7, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 275, Ch. 350, L. 1974; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2807(4); amd. Sec. 12, Ch. 546, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 68, Ch. 345, L. 1981; amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 31, L. 1993; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 113, L. 1995; amd. Sec. 124, Ch. 429, L. 1995; amd. Sec. 50, Ch. 492, L. 1997; amd. Sec. 57, Ch. 271, L. 2003; amd. Sec. 114, Ch. 467, L. 2005.
- **37-68-311.** Application fee -- license fee -- specific exemption for apprentices. (1) Master electricians and journeyman or residential electricians installing or intending to install for hire electric wiring or equipment to convey electric current or apparatus to be operated by electric current shall apply for a license to the department. The application must be on a form furnished by the department and must be accompanied by an application fee set by the board. The forms must state the applicant's full name and address, the extent of work experience, and

other information required by the board. If the applicant has complied with the rules adopted by the board and, being qualified, has successfully completed the examination, the department shall issue the proper license to the applicant.

- (2) A person serving a 4-year electrician apprenticeship under the supervision of a licensed electrician is exempt from the licensing provision of this section during training. Credit for the time spent in an electrical school must be given to the master electrician, journeyman electrician, residential electrician, or apprentice, up to a total of 2 years, on the 4-year requirement.
- (3) In addition to the temporary permits authorized in 37-1-305, the board may, on a case-by-case basis at the board's discretion and in accordance with criteria determined by the board, renew a temporary practice permit for a person who fails the first license examination for which the person is eligible but who submits a temporary practice permit renewal application to the board stating that the person intends to retake the license examination on the next available date.

History: En. Sec. 15, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 280, Ch. 350, L. 1974; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2815; amd. Sec. 13, Ch. 546, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 4, Ch. 31, L. 1993; amd. Sec. 2, Ch. 203, L. 1999; amd. Sec. 18, Ch. 196, L. 2003.

37-68-312. Electrical contractor's license -- application -- fees. Each electrical contractor shall, on or before the date set by department rule, file with the department an application together with the appropriate fees for each firm operated by the electrical contractor in this state.

History: En. Sec. 14, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 279, Ch. 350, L. 1974; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2814; amd. Sec. 14, Ch. 546, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 5, Ch. 31, L. 1993; amd. Sec. 125, Ch. 429, L. 1995; amd. Sec. 115, Ch. 467, L. 2005.

- **37-68-313.** Reasonable fees -- deposit of fees and fines collected. (1) All fees established by the board under this chapter must be reasonably related to the respective program costs. Fees collected by the department under this chapter must be deposited in the state special revenue fund for the use of the board.
 - (2) Fines collected under this chapter must be deposited in the state general fund.

History: En. Sec. 19, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 282, Ch. 350, L. 1974; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2819; amd. Sec. 15, Ch. 546, L. 1979; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 277, L. 1983; amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 402, L. 1999.

- **37-68-314.** Qualifications for licensing examination -- when no discretion in board. A person applying for a license as a journeyman electrician or a residential electrician must be allowed by the state electrical board to take the required examination and be granted a license upon passing the examination if:
 - (1) he has completed an appropriate training program conducted by a bona fide union;
 - (2) he has completed the appropriate required apprenticeship; or
- (3) he has worked in the electrical field for 10 years and is considered by his employer, as shown by a written statement of the employer, to be capable and qualified to take the examination for the license for which he is applying.

History: En. Sec. 1, Ch. 332, L. 1981; amd. Sec. 3, Ch. 245, L. 1987.

- **37-68-315. Proof of license.** (1) An employee of a private or public employment agency or labor union, a building code compliance inspector, an employee of the department, a person who is professionally responsible for a job site, or an electrician licensed under Title 37, chapter 68, has the right to ask a person working at a job site doing work that requires an electrician's license to provide proof of licensure. If the person performing the work is unable to furnish proof of licensure, the requesting person may report that fact to the board or the department.
- (2) An employee of the department may issue a citation to and collect a fine, as provided in 37-68-316, from a person at a job site where the person is performing electrical work if the person fails to display an electrician's license or proof of licensure at the request of the department inspector.

History: En. Sec. 1, Ch. 368, L. 1995; amd. Sec. 4, Ch. 402, L. 1999.

- **37-68-316. Citation and fine for failure to display license.** (1) A citation for failure to display an electrician's license or proof of licensure issued by an employee of the department must include:
 - (a) the time and date on which the citation is issued;
- (b) the name, address, mailing address, and signature of the person to whom the citation is issued;
 - (c) reference to the statutory authority to issue the citation;
 - (d) the name, title, affiliation, and signature of the person issuing the citation;
- (e) information explaining the procedure for the person to follow in order to pay the fine or to demonstrate proof of licensure; and
 - (f) the amount of the applicable fine.
- (2) The applicable civil fines for failing to display a license or proof of licensure are as follows:
 - (a) \$100 for the first offense;
 - (b) \$250 for the second offense; and
 - (c) \$500 for the third and any subsequent offense.
- (3) Each day of violation constitutes a separate offense. The person issuing the citation is responsible for determining, by means of an up-to-date list or through telephone or other communication with the board office, whether the citation being issued is for a first, second, or subsequent offense.
- (4) The person who issues the citation is authorized to collect the fine, but the person who is issued a citation may pay the fine to the appropriate authority identified on the citation within 5 business days of the date of issuance. The board may, upon finding that the person has demonstrated acceptable proof of licensure, waive or refund the fine.
- (5) A person who refuses to sign and accept a citation commits a misdemeanor, punishable in the same manner as provided in 37-1-318.

History: En. Sec. 9, Ch. 402, L. 1999.

37-68-317 through 37-68-320 reserved.

37-68-321. Repealed. Sec. 128, Ch. 429, L. 1995.

History: En. Sec. 5, Ch. 148, L. 1965; amd. Sec. 272, Ch. 350, L. 1974; amd. Sec. 11, Ch. 453, L. 1977; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2805(2)(d); amd. Sec. 16, Ch. 546, L. 1979.

- **37-68-322. Penalty.** (1) Any person or corporation violating any provision of this chapter shall upon conviction of a violation:
- (a) if a person, be punished by a fine not more than \$500, by imprisonment for a term not to exceed 6 months, by revocation of the license, or by any combination of the fine, imprisonment, and revocation, in the discretion of the court; and
 - (b) if a corporation, be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000.
- (2) Any officer or agent of a corporation or member or agent of a partnership or association who personally participates in or is an accessory to any violation of this chapter by the partnership, association, or corporation shall be subject to the penalties prescribed for individuals.
- (3) A violation of this chapter is a continuing violation, and the statute of limitations is tolled until the violation ceases. The county attorney shall, upon request of the board, prosecute any violation of the licensing requirements of this chapter.

History: En. Sec. 20, Ch. 148, L. 1965; R.C.M. 1947, 66-2820; amd. Sec. 6, Ch. 31, L. 1993.

Cross-References

Criminal responsibility and accountability of corporations, 45-2-311, 45-2-312.